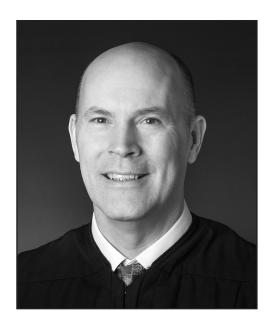
# **District Court Judge**

### Brian K. Clark, Third Judicial District



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**AGE**: 56

PLACE OF BIRTH: Midland, TX

OCCUPATION: District Court Judge

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 50** 

#### ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:

Anchorage (1972-1994, 1997-present), Fairbanks (September-December 1994), Utqiagvik (1994-1997)

#### **EDUCATION:**

Dimond High School (Anchorage, Ak), 1980-1984, Diploma

University of Colorado (Boulder), 1984-1988, B.A. Linguistics

Willamette University, College of Law (Salem, Or), 1988-1991, J.D

#### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Law Clerk Oregon DOJ (1989-91), Law Clerk AK Court of Appeals (1991-92), Asst. District Attorney (1994-2000), Asst. Attorney General {2000-01}, Chief Asst. Attorney General Special Prosecutions (2001-03), District Court Judge 2003-present, Chairperson Criminal Pattern Jury Instruction Committee (2018-present).

#### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Lawyer, Lane Powell Spears Lubersky, 1992-1994

#### SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:

Alaska Bar Association

#### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Hiking, Tennis, Reading

#### STATEMENT:

I have lived in Alaska since 1972. After attending college and law school, I returned to Alaska because of my strong desire to stay in Alaska and serve the community where I was raised. As an Assistant District Attorney and Assistant Attorney General in Anchorage, Utgiagvik, Fairbanks, and Palmer, I became familiar with the issues that face all Alaskans when they become involved with our justice system. This experience has enabled me to deal efficiently with the high volume of cases in the Anchorage district court. In criminal cases, I strive to make sentencing decisions that meet both the needs of the community and the victim, as well as addressing a defendant s rehabilitation. In civil cases, I listen carefully to the parties and take the time to reach decisions that are well reasoned and just.

Over the years, I, along with my fellow judges, have continued to look at the court system to see where we could make improvements in serving the public from altering the format and times of our hearings to keeping the court system safely open during the pandemic.

I will continue to look for improvements for the court system, and I will continue to treat everyone who becomes involved in our justice system fairly and with respect. I have greatly enjoyed both serving and being a member of this community, and I hope to continue serving as a judge in Anchorage.

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## Alaska Judicial Council Evaluation

### Judge Brian K. Clark, Anchorage District Court

The Alaska Judicial Council finds Judge Clark met or exceeded performance standards, and recommends a "YES" vote for another term in office

Judge Clark was appointed to the Anchorage District Court in January of 2003. Judge Clark handles civil and criminal cases. This is his fifth retention evaluation.

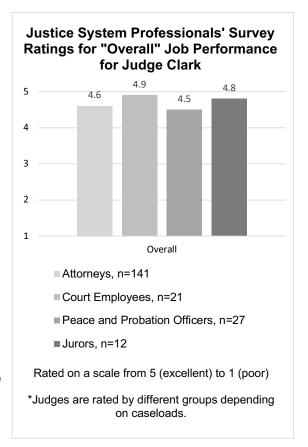
<u>Summary</u>: After conducting its review, the Alaska Judicial Council determined that Judge Clark met or exceeded performance standards on all criteria, including legal ability, integrity, impartiality/fairness, temperament, diligence, and administrative skills. The Council further concluded that Judge Clark complied with judicial ethics standards.

The Alaska Judicial Council therefore **recommends a "yes" vote** to retain Judge Clark in office.

<u>Survey ratings</u>: Attorneys and peace and probation officers who appeared before Judge Clark gave him excellent reviews, as did court employees and jurors. One juror commented, "Judge Clark was extremely nice and courteous. He made me feel comfortable as a juror and clarified facts and gave guidance as needed." The chart shows some of the survey ratings received by Judge Clark. Complete survey ratings are available at www.ajc.state.ak.us.

Professional activities: The Council's review of Judge Clark's professional activities showed positive contributions to the administration of justice. Judge Clark made contributions in the area of committee service. A description of Judge Clark's professional activities is posted at www.ajc.state.ak.us.

Other performance indicators: The Council reviewed other performance indicators for Judge Clark, including financial and conflict of interest statements, whether pay was withheld for an untimely decision, how often parties disqualified him from cases, and appellate reversal rates. Judge Clark performed well in these areas.



Find this judge's full performance evaluation at www.ajc.state.ak.us

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